

Intimation.

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ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS,
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UPHOLSTERED CHESTERFIELDS, SETTEES, FIXED OR DROP ENDS, STUFF-OVER EASY CHAIRS

in a variety of styles,

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ready for covering in any tapestry which may be chosen, or in loose washing covers.

BEDROOM FURNITURE

A Quantity of full Suites always ready for delivery in various finishes.

BEDROOM CHAIRS, TABLES, AND LOUNGES "EN SUITE"

BEDSTEADS, WIRE MATTRESSES, HAIR AND FIBRE MATTRESSES, UPHOLSTERED BOX-SPRINGS AND BED LINEN OF Every Description.

Hongkong, 29th February, 1910. [19]

Public Companies

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the undersigned at 12 o'clock (noon) on WEDNESDAY, the 9th March.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 23rd inst. to the 9th proximo, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers, Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1910. [186]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE FORTY-FIRST MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 10th March, 1910, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the Year ending 31st December, 1909.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 15th February to 10th March, both days inclusive.

By Order, H. F. HICKMAN, Acting Secretary, Hongkong, 17th February, 1910. [188]

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, 1, George's Building, at Noon, on TUESDAY, 15th March, 1910, to receive a Statement of Accounts for the 31st December, 1909, and the Report of the General Managers and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st of March to the 14th day of March, both days inclusive.

THE CHINA-BORNEO CO., LD., W. G. DARBY, General Manager, Hongkong, 28th February, 1910. [215]

Notice of Firm.

CHARGEURS REUNIS.

BY Mutual Agreement between the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes and the Compagnie des Chargeurs Reunis, the HONGKONG AGENCY of the CHARGEURS REUNIS will, from the 1st January, 1910, be transferred to Messrs. P. A. LAPICQUE & CO. (Queen's Building No. 4).

CHARGEURS REUNIS, P. A. LAPICQUE & Co., Agents, MESSAGERIES MARITIMES, P. THOMAS, Agent, Hongkong, 29th December, 1909. [876]

Intimations.

NOTICE.

IT is hereby notified that, on and after MONDAY, the 7th March, the SUPPLY of WATER to the Rider-Main District will be controlled by bringing the Rider-Main into operation and that the WATER will be TURNED ON to each Rider-Main daily for TWO CONSECUTIVE HOURS. Information as to the hours of supply to any particular property may be obtained on application at the Office of the Water Authority or Registrar General or at the Tung Wah Hospital.

W. CHATHAM, Water Authority, Public Works Department, Hongkong, 28th February, 1910. [218]

FURNITURE WAREHOUSE.

LI KWONG LOONG & CO.,

CABINET-MAKERS AND ART DECORATORS, from Shanghai, has re-opened their FURNITURE STORE

No. 39, DES VOUX ROAD CENTRAL, The only Shop in Hongkong with this name

WHERE HIGH-CLASS FURNITURE of every description can be made to order in any design required.

Have been patronised by the Hongkong Club, Hongkong Hotel, Telegraph Co., Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Pines and other leading Establishments in the Colony, to whom reference can be made as to the Superior Workmanship and Materials of the Furniture, &c., supplied.

Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., write as follows:—

"We have pleasure in stating that Mr. LI KWONG LOONG furnished the Accrue in our Dispensary and gave every satisfaction."

(Sd.) A. S. WATSON & Co., 25th May, 1891.

ORDERS punctually attended to, and CHARGES most moderate.

AN INSPECTION INVITED.

NOTICE.

MR. LI HON FAN, a Chinese graduate versed in literature, has been a teacher to European officials and merchants in this Colony for over ten years.

He has a good method of training Europeans to pass in the Chinese examination, and is possessed of a first rate certificate as a Chinese teacher. He has also a good knowledge of Mandarin.

Those who intend learning the Chinese language are requested to write care of Hongkong Telegraph office or direct to 37, Hollywood Road, 2nd floor.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1910. [21]

Intimations.

PABST EXTRACT.

THE best TONIC for keeping in perfect health in the Tropics.

It is a liquid food in predigested form, containing all the bracing, soothing and toning effects of the choicest hops. Nearly Non-alcoholic.

Highly recommended by the local medical profession in cases of Debility after Malaria, from overwork or other causes, Anemia, Nervousness or Dyspepsia. Samples on application.

ALSO JUST RECEIVED—

PABST (American) BEER, in barrels of 120 bottles. In view of the arrival of the American fleet in a few days, please order early, as our stock is limited.

SIEMSEN & CO., Agents, Hongkong, 15th December, 1909. [40]

F. BLACKHEAD & Co.

SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS, COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS.

GROUND FLOOR, ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING, HONGKONG.

SOAP AND SODA MANUFACTURERS.

SOLE AGENTS FOR HARTMANN'S RAHTIENS GENUINE COMPOSITION RED HAND BRAND, HARTMANN'S GREY PAINT, DAIMLER'S PATENT MOTOR LAUNCHES, &c., &c.

Sole Agents for FERGUSON'S SPECIAL CREAM and P. & O. SPECIAL LIQUOR SOOTHY WHISKY, &c.

EVERY KIND OF SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES ALWAYS IN STOCK AT REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1909. [39]

"SOLIGNUM."

A PERFECT preservative stain for Wood, Stone, and Brickwork.

It protects against Decay, Fungus, Dry Rot, the Ravages of Insects and Vermin (especially the white ant) and the action of the weather.

"Solignum" really does what is claimed for it, as may be seen from the testimonials of the Governments of India, the Sudan, &c.

In Drums and Barrels of various colours. Prospectus and all further information from

SIEMSEN & CO., (Machinery Dept.) Hongkong, Sole Agents, Hongkong, 7th December, 1909. [42]

MOTOR CARS

FOR HIRE.

THE ONLY GARAGE IN TOWN.

ALWAYS AT BLAKE PIER.

MOTOR BOATS

FOR HIRE

NEW BICYCLES

FOR HIRE and SALE.

GENERAL REPAIRERS

TYPEWRITERS, BICYCLES and MOTORS.

DRAGON CYCLE DEPOT,

23 and 25, Des Voux Road.

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RUBBER.

LONDON PAPER ON PRICES AND PROSPECTS.

In the course of a leading article on the rubber market, the *Financial Times* of January, 26 last remarks:—

It seems probable that during the next six months the demand will continue on the present scale at least, while it may even increase, and for that period high prices will undoubtedly be maintained. Later on, however, the increase in the supply of raw material will probably make itself felt, and prices during the latter portion of 1910 may consequently be on a rather lower scale. On balance, therefore, it is justifiable to anticipate that the average quotation for the whole of 1910 will be at about the same level as that of 1909. In some quarters it is argued that the rubber plantations in the Malay States and adjacent districts are destined to feel more severely in the future the competition of Brazil and other parts of the world whence hitherto only wild rubber has been exported. The reason for this contention is that in those areas a beginning has been made with the plantation of Hevea and kindred trees in a manner similar to that adopted in the Middle East. It does not seem probable, however, that the output of cultivated rubber from Brazil will assume very large dimensions for some years to come, owing to the fact that whatever steps have been taken to form plantations are only of recent date, and a considerable period must elapse before these can reach maturity.

COSTS OF PRODUCTION.

Assuming, however, for the sake of argument, that at some date other than the remote future the production of plantation rubber in Brazil reaches substantial dimensions, let us consider how such a development would affect the Malay companies. Evidently the most important factor is that of the expense of production. It has hitherto been argued that Brazil will be unable to maintain its predominant position as the chief source of the world's supply of raw rubber owing to the fact that the expenses of collecting this article in its wild state compare unfavourably with the conditions obtaining in the East. This argument would, of course, also apply to plantation rubber grown in South America, and it is beyond doubt that the working expenses as regards that product would be greater than in the Malay States under existing conditions. It has been estimated that, owing to the export duty and other imposts, it would cost as much as 3s. per lb. to land plantation rubber from South America in London, which figure is at least double the corresponding amount in respect of the Middle East, and this at once seems to negative the suggestion that the cultivation of rubber will assume very important dimensions in Brazil, unless, indeed, the conditions imposed by the Government are radically altered. The point which in reality tells most in favour of the maintenance by Brazil of its prominent position as the world's chief rubber producer is its vast resources, so far as concerns the rubber forests, and in this connection it is no doubt more fortunately situated than the various countries in the East, into which the Eucalyptus trees have been imported. This particular species of rubber tree has more than justified the highest hopes of those who first attempted its cultivation in the Malay States and adjacent countries, and may now be regarded as firmly established in that part of the world.

THE WORLD'S REQUIREMENTS.

Notwithstanding the increasing use of rubber in the industrial world, it would not be prudent to look for a very large expansion in consumption, unless prices undergo a marked reduction, in which case demand would receive a powerful stimulus, and we have therefore to take into consideration the possibility that by 1915 or thereabouts the world's supply of rubber may be in excess of immediate requirements. Such a position must mean a lower range of prices and should give pause to those who are at present engaged in adding something like 25 per cent. daily to the face value of the securities quoted in the rubber market. Admitting that the present outlook indicates large profits for the current twelve months it cannot be argued seriously that the advance in prices since the commencement of this year has been justified by the prospects beyond 1910, and although a much lower range of values than those now prevailing will serve to maintain the profits of the various companies at a very high level, owing to the increase in their output which is now proceeding, it is quite possible that within the next three years a drop in the quotation for the raw material will discount very heavily the profits derived from increased production. It is, in fact, becoming a serious question whether the number of companies already engaged in the production of rubber is not ample for the world's requirements, so far as they can be estimated at present, and whether it would not be wise to allow those concerns which have already been launched to come to the producing stage before burdening the market with further undertakings of a similar nature. The immediate future is, no doubt, exceedingly bright and promising, but if we look a little beyond that the conclusion appears inevitable that eventually some of the numerous companies that are either reaping a rich harvest from the boom in rubber, or are expecting to do so shortly, will find themselves competing with one another in a falling market.

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS OF THE ITALIAN CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Onions and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies' Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery, Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superiores will also be most grateful for any PATCHES, or old REVOLVERS to be made into Hooks for the Children of the Poor School, who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 2nd April 1909.

Intimations.

YOU WILL NOT

be deceived. That there are cheats and frauds in plenty everybody knows; but it is seldom or never that any large business house is guilty of them, no matter what line of trade it follows. There can be no permanent success of any kind based on dishonesty or deception. They never was, and never will be. The men who try that are, simply fools and soon come to grief—as they deserve. Now many persons are, nevertheless, afraid to buy certain advertised articles lest they be "humbugged" and deluded; especially are they slow to place confidence in published statements of the merits of medicines. The remedy known as

WAMPOLE'S PREPARATION

is as safe and genuine an article to purchase as flour, silk or cotton goods, from the mills of manufacturers with a world-wide reputation. We could not afford to exaggerate its qualities or misrepresent it in the least; and it is not necessary. It is palatable as honey and contains the nutritive and curative properties of Pure Cod Liver Oil, extracted by us from fresh cod livers, combined with the Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites and the Extracts of Malt and Wild Cherry; and how valuable such a blending of these important medicinal agents must be plain to everybody. It is beyond price in Anemia, Insomnia, Weakness and lack of Nervous Tone, Poor Digestion, Wasting Diseases, La Grippe, Lung Troubles and Blood Impurities. Science can furnish nothing better—perhaps nothing so good. Dr. W. H. Dailie, of Canada, says: "I have used it in my practice and take pleasure in recommending it as a valuable tonic and reconstructive." It is a remedy that can afford to appeal to its record and represents the science and knowledge of bright and aggressive medical investigation. Effective from the first dose. "You cannot be disappointed in it." Like all good things it is limited. Sold by chemists throughout the world.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

FLOWER SHOW.

IN the BOTANIC GARDENS.

TUESDAY, 8th March: Open 2 P.M. to 6 P.M. Admission 5s.

The Prizes will be distributed at 5 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, 9th March: Open 10.30 A.M. to 3 P.M. Admission 5s.

3 P.M. to 6 P.M. Children half-price.

TEA will be obtainable on the Grounds.

By permission of Col. Prior and Officers the Band of the 13th Regt. will play on both days from 2.30 to 6 P.M.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1910. [217]

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

EVENING CLASSES in the following Subjects will RE-OPEN on MONDAY, MARCH 7th:—

ENGINEERING SECTION: Building Construction and Drawing, Field Surveying, Machine Drawing, Steam, Mathematics, Mechanics, Physics.

COMMERCE SECTION: English, French, Chinese (Cantonese Colloquial), shorthand (including Typewriting), Book-keeping.

SCIENCE SECTION: Chemistry (Theoretical, Practical), Physics.

TEACHERS' CLASS: English, and Methods of Teaching.

Students should attend at the Institute to be enrolled on THURSDAY, March 3rd, or FRIDAY, March 4th, between 5 and 7 P.M.

Copies of the Prospectus and Entry Forms for intending Students may be obtained on application to the Undersigned.

E. RALPHS, Director, Hongkong, 1st March, 1910. [216]

JAPANESE MASSAGE.

MASSAGE MEIJI SHA,

GRADUATE OF KOBE MESSAGE SCHOOL.

ATTENDANCE AT PATIENTS' RESIDENCE.

No. 171, WANCHAI ROAD, GROUND FLOOR.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1910. [94]

Consignees.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"KUTSANG,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo, impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M., the 4th inst., will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers, Hongkong, 2nd March, 1910. [9]

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FROM EUROPE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"SPEZIA,"

Captain Fass, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained against Bills of Lading countersigned by the Undersigned.

Optional Cargo will be carried on unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-DAY.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd prox., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 2nd prox., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE, Hongkong Office, Hongkong, 25th February, 1910. [207]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE.

THE Company's Steamship

"FLINTSHIRE,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.'s hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 3rd March, at 6 A.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in Godown, where they will be examined at 9.30 A.M. on the 3rd March. No claims will be admitted after Goods have left the Godown nor will they be recognised if presented after 10 days of the vessel's arrival here.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., Agents, Hongkong, 25th February, 1910. [211]

BANK LINE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "KUMERIC," FROM TACOMA, VANCOUVER, YOKOHAMA, KORE AND MOJI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents, Hongkong, 25th February, 1910. [21]

S.S. "TONKIN."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London as

via Cordouan and Sables, from Salonique via S. S. Sideron, and from Bordeaux via S. S. Verbiest, in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risks into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 3 P.M. the 28th February, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned, Goods remained unclaimed after the 7th March, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 8th March, or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on the 7th March, 1910, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

P. THOMAS, Agent, Hongkong, 1st March, 1910. [10]

FROM EUROPE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"O. FERD. LAEISZ,"

Captain Wagner, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained against Bills of Lading countersigned by the Undersigned.

Optional Cargo will be carried on unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-DAY.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 8th instant, will be subject

Intimation.



A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

CHEMISTS

BY APPOINTMENT TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR AND HOUSEHOLD.

Watson's HYGIENOL, AND BUBONIC PLAGUE

It has been proved by repeated experiments that "WATSON'S HYGIENOL" is the most potent agent for the destruction of fleas, especially rat fleas.

It has now been proved that Plague is conveyed to human beings by means of fleas from rats which have died of this disease.

All risk of infection can be avoided by washing the floors, etc., or sprinkling where the fleas are likely to be with a dilute solution of "WATSON'S HYGIENOL." A teaspoonful to a pint of water, or a teacupful to three gallons, makes a solution of the strength required for this purpose.

HYGIENOL IS A POWERFUL DISINFECTANT AND GERMICIDE

Price per Pint 50 cents
" Gallon \$3.00

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

HONGKONG DISPENSARY and KOWLOON DISPENSARY. Hongkong, 2nd February, 1910.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 1910.

THE SUGAR INDUSTRY IN FORMOSA.

The enormous progress made by the cane-sugar industry of Formosa under Japanese administration is well shown in an article which Mr. H. O. P. Goertigs contributes to the *Indische Mercur*. In the year 1894, when the island was taken over from China, there were about 1,000 small factories in Formosa, all driven by buffaloes, and all preparing brown or coloured sugar. Half the production was used in the island, and the rest exported by Chinese merchants to China and Japan. The result, however, of the ingenious system adopted by Japan to encourage the industry is that nine great companies, with a paid-up capital of between £1 and 2 million sterling, are now engaged in preparing sugar by modern methods. In 1909 some 600 of the buffalo mills were still at work, and there were in addition 50 mills driven by steam, dealing with 40 to 200 tons of cane in 24 hours, and 21 large factories, of which seven had a capacity of 1,200 tons of cane per day, and four a capacity of 500 to 1,000 tons. In 1909 several more were established, and still more are under construction for 1910. At the present moment there are 11 factories working and six almost completed, all of which are entirely new and modern, and provided by the best firms of Great Britain, America, and Germany with the most economical machinery. These built in the last three years have been established without any Government subsidy or aid—a proof that the position in Formosa is now a regular one, and that the manufacturers can in future be independent. Owing to the encouragement given to it by the Government, the Rose bamboo cane forms 75 per cent. of the total sugar-cane planted, and it appears likely that it will shortly alone hold the field. Owing to the efforts of the Sugar Bureau in pushing the planting of this particular cane, and in other directions, the production on a given piece of land has been quintupled, to the profit of planter, manufacturer, and Government. The native growers plough the land very superficially with wooden ploughs, but the newer and larger ones largely use steam-ploughs which

furrow deeply. The factories at present generally pay 3 yen per picul of cane and obtain therefrom about 11 per cent. of sugar, so that a picul of sugar costs about 2.73 yen in raw material. Reckoning the manufacturing cost at 1 yen, other expenses at 0.50 yen, transport, &c., at 0.50 yen, the sugar at the factory costs 4.73 yen. The tax of 3 yen brings the cost price up to 7.73 yen. As the price in Japan, however, amounts to 12 yen, it will be seen that after the deduction of transport to Japan, &c., a very good profit remains for the sugar manufacturer. As the ordinary kind of Formosan sugar has a preference over the foreign article imported into Japan of 2.15 yen, the entire Formosan sugar imports go to that country. For the year 1909-10 they are estimated at 130,000 tons, against 120,000 in 1908-09, and an average of 34,000 tons only in the years 1897-1901. Next year it is anticipated that a much larger quantity of brown sugar will be exported, owing to the fact that with the freedom from duty now enjoyed by sugar from the Philippine Islands in the United States, all the Filipino sugar will go to New York, thus leaving more room for Formosan brown sugar to Japan. For this reason a number of new licences for the erection of factories for brown sugar have been issued, so that the estimated quantity of exports may be surpassed during the current year. When the new factories are all in full working, and all the land devoted to sugar-growing is planted with the new variety of cane, then Formosa will be able to deliver 200,000 tons of sugar, and as Japan now consumes about 250,000 tons, and by the time the industry in Formosa has arrived at its full state of development will be consuming more, there will still remain a small Japanese importation of foreign sugar. It is, however, not improbable that, encouraged by their great success, the Formosan manufacturers will build still more factories, and that new land will be prepared for sugar growing by means of irrigation, whereby at some future time Japan might be able to provide all the sugar she needs from her own territory. At the present moment Japan also imports a large quantity of sugar from Java, Philippines, Hongkong, China, and a little from Germany, and these imports would, of course, be the first to suffer. But it is as yet far from certain that this will be the case, for it is equally possible that in the course of time Formosa also will, either directly or indirectly, go to other markets to compete. At present Formosa makes only No. 1516 sugar for the Japanese refineries, but it is by no means impossible that, when Japanese demands had been fully met, the factories would prepare also sugar above No. 10 for the Chinese market. It is equally possible that the Japanese refineries might, beyond the needs of their own country, refine raw sugar for competition with Hongkong sugar in the Yangtze Valley.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Selangor Rubber Co. has declared a third interim dividend for 1909 of 1s 3d per share.

FROM Messrs. Bradley & Co. we have received a calendar and wall pictures advertising the Milkmaid brand of condensed milk.

TEN men appeared at the Magistracy this morning for gambling. The keeper of the establishment was fined \$15, and the rest \$3 each.

THE Kwangsi official body in Peking has addressed a joint memorial to the Throne praying that, as the salt tax farm would be particularly detrimental to their province, it should not be put into operation.

THE Army Advisory Council has sent a telegram to Viceroy Yuan Shu-hua in Canton urging him to train the new division of troops as soon as possible and not to come to a sudden halt owing to the mutiny.

THE *Vanity Fair* has a full plate supplement devoted to "Billy," otherwise Mr. R. E. Pellissier formerly of Hongkong and a candidate in the recent Parliamentary elections. The picture, which is printed in the three-colour process, is extremely life-like.

THE *Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung* acknowledges the indebtedness of the German Foreign Office to the British Government for the news that the murderers of the two German explorers, Brunhuber and Schmitz, who were done to death in China, have been captured and executed. The guilty men belonged to the Su ru tribe, and were seized by a punitive expedition.

THE rubber boom, if it continues for another month or two, will enhance the price of shares, and a good number of local holders should be able to clear out at fancy prices from anything they think it wiser to part with than to hold. The profit of such deals will be made here, the losses will fall upon those who think that rubber is a new form of gold and we need not particularly worry ourselves about them.—S.T.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals, begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:

AMONG the foreign and Colonial clubs which have sought affiliation to R.A.C. during 1909 are the A.C. of China and the A.C. of Singapore.

WE learn that the project of establishing a Polo Club in Penang is again being revived. The old parade ground at Sepoy Lines is spoken of as the venue of the Club.

THE *M.C.D. News* understands that the claim against Soochow authorities for compensation for the personal injuries inflicted upon four Englishmen by a party of soldiers engaged in a street riot on February 11 is to be settled by the payment of £15,250.

THE immortal Bob Love has sent us some interesting news-articles with souvenir postcards regarding his excellent show. Lately, the "Colonel" has been touring India with his usual success and while at Bombay purchased a stud of fine Arab horses and hopes to introduce the animals here on his next visit. As this revives in his happy memories of the Hyderabad trip, the most interesting of riders, and as no man quite outgrows the child in him as regards circus entertainments, the news will doubtless be received with welcome in Hongkong.

THE sunken steamer *La Sayne* is now lying in twenty-two fathoms of water, the strong current in the Straits where the collision occurred having taken her off the comparatively shallow bank on which she went down. Notwithstanding this depth, an effort is to be made this week to recover the famous Hope diamond and a large amount of other jewellery and goods known to have been on the steamer when she sank. Mr. Teal, an expert diver of long experience, has been engaged for the work and is making preparations to begin at once.

THERE were a number of cases from the Water Police Station at the Magistracy this morning. One man was charged with stealing a quantity of rope from the *S.S. C. Ford Lottis*. The evidence adduced was that defendant went on the deck of the steamer, where a great number of jollys and motor-gear were made fast to the deck by means of stout ropes. Defendant cut off with a knife about ten fathoms of the ropes letting loose all the cargo on deck. He was in the act of throwing the ropes to a number of friends who were at the time on board ship when he was seized by the boatswain and handed over to the Second Officer. This morning the man was remanded. Another man was fined \$10 for being on board the *S.S. Tippana* without the Captain's permission. Six men were charged with killing fish by means of explosives (dynamite) and were remanded. For fishing without a licence, a man was fined \$5, and a similar fine was imposed on a woman for being in unlawful possession of a quantity of coal.

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

DROWNING FATALITY.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

On the 31st ultimo a junk proceeding to Shi Kiu from Canton collided with a cargo boat at Lok Chuk, near Chan Tsau, with the result that one passenger was thrown overboard and drowned.

At the height of the recent riots in Canton H. E. Viceroy Yuan Shu-hua telegraphically requested the Viceroy of the Liang Kiang provinces to send the cruiser *Hoi Shun* to Canton in order to be in readiness against any emergency. Complying with H. E. Yuan's request, the cruiser was despatched to Canton, where she arrived on the 20th February. As the riots have been entirely suppressed and the services of the cruiser are no longer required, the *Hoi Shun*, with Commander Yeung King Sau on board, left here for the North on the 1st instant.

THE newly appointed Nambou magistrate, Yeung Shi Ki, has appointed the 7th instant as the day on which he will assume charge of office.

A serious clan fight is reported from Sai-chiu, near Fatsan, and several persons were killed and many others wounded. On receiving the report the Viceroy deputed magistrate Cheung Fung Kai to the scene to restore order.

SOME sixty of the newly trained troops, who had been disbanded as the result of the recent disturbance in Canton, have now been re-enlisted and allowed to resume duty at the request of the members of the charitable institutions.

A large market has been erected in the Western suburb close to Chun Shin street, where a charitable bazaar will be held for a week, from the 6th instant, for the purpose of raising money towards the funds for the maintenance of the well-known Canton Fong Pin Hospital. Many ladies and girls of well-to-do and respectable families have promised to render their services at the forthcoming bazaar.

ALLANA'S ALLEGED ASSAULT.

CHARGED THIS MORNING.

Before Mr. E. R. Hallifax, 1st Police Magistrate, in the Police Court this morning, Allana was charged with attempted assault on S. E. Allana on the night of the 1st inst. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, of Messrs. Deacon, Tooker and Deacon, prosecuted, defendant being unrepresented.

Mr. Shenton stated that as the complainant was proceeding home at about midnight on the night in question, he saw in the vicinity of Wyndham Street that he was being closely followed by the defendant, who carried a big stick and a brass. Complainant became frightened and began to run away, at the same time calling for the Police. The defendant came up to Allana but did not actually assault him but threatened him. He was chased by a policeman and arrested.

The case was remanded, bail being allowed in the sum of \$500.

ROWING NOTES.

CANTON REGATTA ABANDONED.

I have just heard that the secretary of the Hongkong Regatta has received a letter from the Canton Regatta secretary stating their inability to row in the forthcoming Hongkong Regatta, the reason being that they cannot comply with the conditions laid down by the Hongkong Regatta Committee for the Challenge Cup, viz. that all crews have to row in the same class of boats, and not only this but they have characterised our conduct as being "unsportsmanlike" and for this reason their own regatta is abandoned.

We would like to know in what respect Hongkong has acted in an unsportsmanlike spirit. We only ask Canton to come down here to row us on "equal terms" and they refuse. What is the deduction? That they are unsportsmanlike, and, in my opinion, the boat is on the other foot. What is more sportsmanlike than the way the two Hongkong Clubs accepted the invitation of Canton and were going up there with far inferior boats, having no hope of winning but just for the sport of the thing.

As Canton are well aware they have been wounding for years, and in not one instance has victory been attributed to their rowing, but to their superiority in boats, and now that they are given a chance to row in equal boats they back out, what is the inference? It is a great pity that Canton has abandoned their regatta in such a childish manner, as both the V.R.C. and C.Y.C. crews have been training hard and were looking forward to giving Canton a good race, although as I said before they had not much hope of winning on account of their heavier boats. Surely, something could be settled between the committees on both sides to bring about an amicable settlement of the whole question.

RAZZLE DAZZLE.

OPIMUM SMUGGLING.

RICH HAZL MADE ON "MANCHURIA"

Opium worth \$6,000 (gold) was discovered by the officers of the Pacific Mail liner *Manchuria* in the hold of that vessel on the voyage home from the Orient between Yokohama and Honolulu. The rich find was contained in 210 five-ten tins, and was located among the cargo in No. 2 hold. Chief Officer Rice discovered the contraband drug, and Captain D. J. D. ordered it locked up in the special vaults until the *Manchuria* arrived at Honolulu, when it was turned over to Collector of the Port, Stackable.

The *Manchuria* arrived here yesterday afternoon, says the *San Francisco Chronicle* of 31st Jan., and is believed by the authorities to be well stocked with the contraband, judging from the discovery made before the skilled searchers had a chance to get busy with their prods and dark lanterns. The squad of searchers who made a record for themselves in making the kien, piano, steering gear, grease pot and other peculiar places on the steamer *Sikaria* disgorge a goodly abundance of the smuggled goods will be on their mettle this morning and find out if there is more opium in the recesses of the big *Manchuria*.

OPIMUM ON THE "CHINA"

Doxens of anonymous letters received at the Customs-house purporting to give information of the presence of quantities of opium on board the steamer *China* are not receiving strong impression of fact. While it is true that Inspector F. A. Clark found four five-ten tins in a bucket on the steamer's deck yesterday, 28th Jan., handy to be smuggled ashore, the only contraband drug discovered previously consisted of five tins found by Inspector Richardson in the pump-room locker and five tins turned over to him by a conscience-stricken Chinese member of the crew.

Other equally uncertain information was received relative to the Hawaiian-American liner *Ida* from Salina Cruz, and the steamer was "ripped to pieces," to quote Deputy Surveyor Blinn, without result.

Despite their ill success on the *China*, however, the Customs inspectors are satisfied there is opium on board, and are straining every nerve to find it.

There is a battle of wits between the smugglers and the inspectors, with chances in favour of the searchers.

Later in the afternoon yesterday Inspector Richardson caught Ah Mow, a member of the *China's* crew, as he was transferring six five-ten tins of opium and seized the drug.

SCIENTIFIC KILLING OF RATS.

AN ELECTROCUTTING TRAP.

About two years ago the bacteriologists of the Pasteur Institute, of Paris, conceived the idea of killing rats by spreading among them a virulent disease. The idea was carried into execution by feeding the rats with attractive bait covered with bacteria harmless to man, but deadly to rodents. A single inoculated rat infected a whole colony, and thus a ship or stable was rid of its unwelcome guests in a very brief period.

To overcome whatever objections may be urged against this bacteriological annihilation of a formidable pest, a Viennese has devised a rat-electrocuting apparatus which he proudly exhibited a few weeks ago to a number of German delegates who had been commissioned to examine his electrical trap.

Practically utilizing the rat's nature of insatiable appetite, his insatiable appetite, he has invented a trap which comprises a network of five wires, and in which a small electric lamp or an appetizing morsel serves as bait. A too voracious rat compasses his own death. As soon as his foot touches a wire he is lost.

The electrocuting trap is accommodated to the design of any number of rats, so that it may be employed even in a rat-infested quarter. With characteristic thoroughness the inventor has equipped his death-devising apparatus with electrical signals which announce the killing of a captive by means of an incandescent lamp or a bell.

Careless of such low tension are employed that human beings are not injured by accidental contact with this "fire" electrical trap.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

A KING CONTEST.

Encouraged by the success attending the initial effort in organizing a series of boxing contests in November last, the energetic Gymnasium Committee of the Victoria Recreation Club, in response to applications from friends of the institution, are getting up another "Boxing Evening" on the club premises, with the concurrence and by the mission of the general committee of the V.R.C. In conversation with one of the promoters of the entertainment, who is no mean exponent of the "many art," a *Telegraph* representative learnt that members of the Sister Services have thrown themselves wholeheartedly into the idea of the entertainment, a fact which in itself, apart from the names which figure on the programme of events, should ensure the success of the second series of contests organized under V.R.C. auspices. The Navy will be represented by Seaman Willis of H. M. S. *Ascalon*, Hayes (Tamar), Mustard (Bedford), and Sky Kerrison (Kent) while the representatives of the Army will be Bandaman Willis, Drummer Boucher, and Lance-Sergeant Fincher (all of the Buffs). Kid Marriott will try conclusions with Seaman Hayes in an eight two-minute rounds. The detailed programme is as follows:—

Main Event.—Seaman Willis, H. M. S. *Ascalon*, champion middle-weight of Orient, versus Bandaman Willis, Buffs, champion heavy-weight of the Colony. 15 three-minute rounds.

Preliminary Bout.—Drummer Boucher, Buffs, champion light-weight of the Colony, versus Lance-Sergeant Fincher, Buffs. 6 two-minute rounds.

Mr. Kid Marriott, bantam-weight champion of Hongkong, versus Seaman Hayes, H.M.S. *Tamar*. 8 two-minute rounds.

Seaman Mustard, H.M.S. *Bedford*, versus Seaman Sky Kerrison, H.M.S. *Kent*. 6 two-minute rounds.

The contest is to take place on Saturday, 5th inst., commencing at 9.15 p.m. sharp. Prices of admission are—\$4, \$2 and \$1.

CHINA AND THIBET.

AN IMPERIAL DECREE.

The following Imperial decree is dated 15th 11th and is taken from the *Shanghai Mercury*:—

The Dalai Lama of Thibet was well treated by the late Emperor and the Dalai Lama should have attended to his religious duties as hitherto. However after taking over the affairs of Thibet into his own hands he has become proud, luxurious, loose in his conduct, and violent. This misconduct of the Dalai Lama has seriously developed till it has reached the utmost limit. Thus he begun to disobey the Imperial orders and tyrannise over Thibetans, and caused troubles. In the 30th year of Kwangshu in the 6th moon, he fled from Thibet during the troubles there. At that time the Imperial Resident at Lhasa impeached the Dalai Lama as his reputation was very bad. An Imperial Rescript was issued at the time to deprive him of his title of Dalai Lama temporarily. The Dalai then went to Kulun (Urga) and thence to Haining. The late Emperor, seeing his journey in the remote land and seeing his repentance, ordered the local officials to look after him carefully providing funds. Then he came up to Peking and was granted audience and given many valuable presents and titles and funds. Moreover on his way to Lhasa special delegates of the government were attached to him to protect him. However on his way to Lhasa the Dalai sought money everywhere and caused much trouble. Yet we have not dealt with him and his position in order to show our friendship. The troops of Szechuan have simply entered Thibet to maintain the peace of Thibet and to guard open ports and the Thibetans had no doubt in the matter. However the Dalai upon his return to Thibet has spread all sorts of rumours especially that the Imperial Resident has stopped his allowances and instead of leading the Thibetans in a proper course he has but run into troubles. Lien Yu, the Imperial Resident, and others have sent in their memorial by wire to Us reporting the arrival of troops from Szechuan and the Dalai Lama secretly fled from Lhasa in the night of the 3rd day of the 1st moon (12th February) and his whereabouts are not known. We have ordered the Imperial Residents to find measures to bring him back. But so far his whereabouts are not known. He has neglected his religious duties frequently and has caused much troubles which conduct shows that he has not complied with the loyal duties and has lost popularity and he could not be recognised as the dean of all the Hutukhtus (Thibetan saints) therefore the said Dalai Lama is hereby deprived of his title in view of effecting punishment on him and whether he will run away to any place or return to Thibet we order him to be treated the same as ordinary people. We hereby order the Imperial Residents in Lhasa to select several youths in Thibet who have the marvellous signs and their names will be placed in the golden urn and a name be drawn forth from the urn to have "chu kubil kan" or have the real Dalai Lama come forth in re-embodiment. We simply wish to have the old religion properly guarded to show good and punish bad with Imperial justice. All the Thibetans either priests or not are treated by us as our own children and therefore after this decree is issued all the Thibetans should obey our rules to maintain peace and should not disobey Us as we are earnestly wishing the peace of the country and to maintain the religion of the Yellow Church.

SENATIONAL statements were made on the 10th ult. before a special Commission of inquiry, against the Calcutta European fire brigade for refusing assistance at a recent fire in the timber yards where property over Rs. 10 lakhs was destroyed, unless handsomely rewarded. Native witnesses cannot identify any one

SIR M. NATHAN'S RECORD.

SPLENDID TRIBUTE TO HIS WORK AS GOVERNOR OF NATAL.

Sir Matthew Nathan, the late Governor of Natal, who will shortly take up his duties as permanent head of the Post Office, leaves in Natal a reputation which might well be the envy of any man in the public service, says a Reuter mailed message from Durban.

He came from Hongkong two and a half years ago with an unusual administrative record, but gravely affected, so the colonists feared, by the talent of Negrophillism. They had heard of his achievements as Governor of the Gold Coast, and they reasoned that the qualities which made for success amongst a community largely composed of negroes were scarcely the qualities, admirable though they might be, to command success in Natal, with its rigid ideas on the subject of white and black.

From the day he arrived Sir Matthew Nathan won the public confidence. The process in the beginning was slow. But the first impression of the Governor was favourable. The people liked his virile candour of speech, tempered by discretion, and a respect for local conditions, and those who came into personal contact with him brought back to their fellows encouraging reports of his openness of mind, his abundant common sense, his strength of purpose, his remarkable grasp of affairs, and, above all, his commanding and fascinating personality.

No man was ever more loyal to the community white and black, over which he ruled. Month by month his influence grew, not only with Ministers and those immediately about him, who soon had reason to be sensible to his worth, but with the public, and he brought the whole weight of that influence to bear on the side of justice, and where expediency of justice seasoned with moderation and mercy.

The inner story of the Dinuzulu controversy between the Home and Colonial Government, the intimate inner story, probably never will be written. It is contained mainly in confidential official and other memoranda and notes which have not seen, and will not see, the light of day. There are few, however, who know that nothing but the Governor's tact and firmness and clear insight saved the colony from the grave constitutional crisis which repeatedly threatened, but which, thanks to his statesmanship, was averted.

By his tour through Zululand early last year just after the removal of Dinuzulu, by his numerous other acts, great and small, and by his whole bearing, publicly and privately, towards the native question, the Governor contributed enormously towards the restoration of confidence amongst the tribes in Natal and Zululand and towards the consolidating of the Colonial Government's authority.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

RIFLE MEETING.

A rifle meeting will be held on Easter Monday, 18th March, at King's Park Range when the following events will be shot off:—

1. Rifle Handicap—200 yards. Entrance fee 50 cents—5 prizes—80 per cent. of the entries.
2. Rifle Handicap—500 yards. Entrance fee 50 cents—5 prizes—80 per cent. of the entries.
3. Rifle Handicap—600 yards. Entrance fee 50 cents—5 prizes—80 per cent. of the entries.
4. Rifle Aggregate (handicap)—Highest aggregate in 3, 4 and 5 including handicap.
5. Same as 4 for officers only. Entrance fee \$1.
6. Same as 4 for sergeants and instructors only. Entrance fee \$1.

CONDITIONS.

1. The meeting will be conducted under N. R. A. rules.
2. No competitor may take more than 3 prizes.
3. Rifle, Service rifles as issued from headquarters only, private rifles allowed.
4. Orthoptics allowed, ordinary spectacles only, not coloured.
5. Position any.
6. Ammunition will be obtainable on the range.
7. Targets and marking, latest Blisley.
8. Two sighting shots allowed at each range to cent. each.
9. Shooting will commence at 10 a.m.
10. Entries will close at noon on Thursday, 24th March.
11. Ranges 200 to 600 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. 500 1.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. 600 3.30 p.m. to 5.10 p.m.
12. Uniform must be worn.
13. Handicaps will be settled by the committee on Thursday, 24th March, and competitors may learn their handicaps before commencing to fire. The handicap will be limited to points at each range.

Handicapping committees of units are requested to assemble at headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, 24th March.

THE CANTON MUTINY.

ORGANISATION IN HONGKONG.

A Canton dispatch says that it has been discovered that the "flagship" of the recent mutiny in Canton is a man named Yu, who was responsible for the Anking mutiny in 1906, but had fled to Kwangtung and enlisted under an assumed name. It is alleged that he fled the raid on the armoury and murdered the officer of the artillery camp. Another leader, Wang, is said to have admitted that he was a revolutionist, whose chief organisation was in Hongkong, and that a branch had also been established in Canton. He is said to have testified that it was intended to wait till the artillery company had had another six months' training before a rising should be organised, but matters were precipitated by the trouble between the troops and the police. "He went on to say, add the report, that they proposed to rob the Armoury, capture the city and then massacre the Manchu General and all the Bannermen and Manchus, but that they would not molest any Chinese—W.C.W. (from

GUN TRIALS IN CHINA.

An interesting account is given in the *Royal Artillery Journal* by Captain T. C. Leah of the recent gun trials in China. These guns, mountain and field, were made by Vickers, Sons, and Maxim for the Chinese Government.

MOUNTAIN GUN.

The following particulars are given of the mountain gun:—Weight, gun and mechanism, 282 lbs.; calibre, 3 in.; length of rifling, 36.8 in.; muzzle velocity, 1,500 ft.; shrapnel weight, 22 lbs. (218 balls, 41 to 1 lb.); maximum elevation, 25 deg.; maximum depression, 10 deg.; remaining velocity at 6,000, 600 ft.; angle of descent 34 deg.

The carriage consists mainly of the following parts:—I. Trail in three parts, with transoms and spade. II. Recoil cylinders with keys, recoiling slide, running on springs, firing gear, and guard plates. III. Traversing frame with traversing gear, ranging and pointing gear. IV. Wheels and axle. V. Panoramic sight. VI. Shield.

The average time for assembling and disassembling by a highly trained detachment of Chinese was under two minutes. The carriage is very similar to that of an ordinary field gun and calls for no special remark. In the event of the panoramic sight being casualties, there is no alternative method of laying. The shield weighs 44 lbs., and I doubt whether the cover it gives compensates for the extra weight and inconvenience. The gun is certainly the most powerful and ambitious mountain gun ever designed, and is a genuine Q. F. type. With a single man loading, laying, and firing, ten aimed rounds were fired in 1 min. 48 sec., and her stability was all that could be expected; though I should say that a different type of spade approximating more to the Krupp model would still further increase it.

There are two new points in mechanism which call for notice:—

I. THE FIRING LEVER.

fixed on the left side of the carriage. It has a cam, at one end, the upper portion of which withdraws the striker to the rear, and the lower pushes the spring guide slightly forward. At the other extremity of the shaft is an arm which engages with the trigger. When the lever is pulled the trigger revolvers, and an arm on its inner extremity lifts the arm of the firing lever in the breach thus actuating the striker. The fixed position of the lever increases the rapidity of fire, but if the gun does not run right up it will not fire.

II. THE CARTRIDGE RETAINER.

consists of an arm with a projection on it, actuated by a spring, which allows the cartridge to pass it, but prevents it slipping out again at whatever angle the gun is loaded. Decayed springs are not wise in a mountain gun, as was shown during the trials, when the split keep pin at the head of the left spring—which has to be kept loose for disassembling the gun—flew out when the gun was fired, lodging in the springs when at their maximum tension, caused a jam which took some time to remedy.

FIELD GUN.

The following details are given concerning the field gun:—Weight of gun and mechanism, 45 cwt.; weight of carriage and shield, 10 cwt.; weight of limber filled (carrying 51 rds.), 1 cwt.; weight of shell, 32 lbs.; length of gun, 33 calibres; bore, 3 in.; muzzle velocity, 1,600 ft.; remaining velocity at 3,000, 890 ft.; remaining velocity at 6,000, 725 ft.

The most notable point about this gun is its extreme lightness and adaptability for movement along the crooked and impossible Chinese tracks. For this purpose the trail is jointed at the centre, and when folded over, and a pole inserted, gun and limber can be handled separately. In the trials it was found that two Chinese coolies which averaged about 23 could draw either load with comfort over the sandy bed of the Hun Ho river, and this despite the fact that no saddle had been sent out for the drivers. The Chinese drivers were used in this test were beyond all praise, and trotted about as though the absence of a saddle made no difference to them.

The gun and mounting call for no special comment. The firing lever and cartridge retainer are as described for the mountain gun. An open as well as a panoramic sight is provided. The shooting of the gun was good. In the rapidity test, unaimed, ten rounds were fired in 23 sec. In the aimed test the first being 1 in front of the gun on account of the wind blowing down range, and ten rounds took 1 min. 45 sec. They were all very well placed for location, however, and grouped within a few inches of each other in the target at 1,000 metres range. The trial will sink a little the first few rounds in the sandy soil we are firing on.

With one man loading, and firing, ten rounds were got off in 1 min. 44 sec., all on the target. About 700 hits were obtained with 20 rounds of shrapnel on three screens, each 50 metres apart, one behind the other, at a range of 3,500 metres. The screens were 50 metres long and 2 metres high and were slightly in echelon to the gun. The shrapnel were burst some 11 metres high and 60 metres short of the nearest screen, and it would be interesting to know if this was the best place to get the maximum effect on the three targets. The shell breaks up on burst, which I suppose gives a greater cone of dispersion to the bullets.

UNDER date Shanghai, 24th ult., Messrs. Wharlock & Co. write: "Since last writing on the 27th ult. the China New Year holidays have intervened, but in spite of these cargo is still coming forward in large quantities and the boats on the various berths are receiving full support, in fact, in some cases the boats are fully engaged until well into March, this volume, however, does not warrant the chartering of any more 'outside' tonnage at present. Coastwise—Here things are not so brilliant and we are sorry to say we cannot report any improvement although with the near approach of the opening of the Northern Ports and the rise of the water in the Yangtze we expect to see some turn for the better."

THE DALAI LAMA.

Mr. W. F. Meyer, in his manual on the Chinese Government, says:—The Dalai Lama is one of the joint pontiffs of Tibet. The word dalai or tale in Mongolian signifies "Ocean," and corresponds to the Tibetan word Djamts'o or Chams'o, which, in the combination Chritsan Djamts'o Rispag'he, or Venerable Ocean Treasure, constitutes the proper title of this dignitary. The Dalai Lama is regarded as the re-embodiment which is assumed by the spirit of one of Tsongkhapa's two disciples, and at the same time as an incarnation or Avatar of the Bodhisattva Avalokiteswara. Having engrossed in their own hands the temporal power in Tibet, successive Dalai Lamas of the last century were recognised by the emperor of China as the supreme pontiffs of the Yellow Church and the utmost veneration has been manifested toward their successors up to the present moment. Their residence is fixed at Mount Potata (one of the three sacred mountains of this name, the original being situated according to Buddhist legends, in India, and the third, known in Chinese by the name of Pu-to Shao, forming the well-known island of monasteries on the coast of Chekiang), near Lassa, the chief city of Anterior Tibet. At this place, the ancient capital of the kingdom, are situated the Ta Chao and Hsiao Chao or Greater and Lesser Temples (chao in Tibetan signifying monastery or shrine), which, date from the period of the Chinese alliance in the seventh century. The Ta Chao, in particular, is celebrated as containing a famous effigy of the prince of the house of Tsang, now worshipped together with her consort from Nepal, among the chief divinities of the Lamaist pantheon.

The succession to the office of Dalai Lama occurs by a process of "re-embodiment." For some centuries, and until comparatively recent times, the relatives or surroundings of each successive pontiff contrived, by more or less open acts of fraud, to indicate after his decease the individual when it suited them to select as the new Avatar. In order to obviate proceedings of this kind, which had more than once brought forward persons disaffected and dangerous to the suzerain power, the Emperor Kien Lung ordained, in A.D. 1797, that for the future both the succession to this august office and the appointment to other spiritual dignities of a similar nature should be determined by the drawing of lots. At the decease of each Dalai Lama, accordingly, when, like all members of the class endowed with the privilege of successive births, he is said to have "entered upon the perfection of repose" (yuan chi), inquiries are made by the priesthood with reference to miraculous signs (ling i) which may have been observed in attendance upon the birth of children at about the same period. Particulars of the required kind are always duly procured; and these are transmitted in proper form to the Imperial Residents at Lassa. After scrutiny of the documents and report being made to Peking, a certain number of the children are brought with their parents to Lassa. Here, on an appointed day, their names are inscribed on slips of wood, which, after being carefully sealed, are deposited in the "golden urn" (chiao pen-p'ing), prescribed by the regulation instituted by Kien Lung. The name drawn forth from the urn is hailed amid universal rejoicing as that of the new incarnation, and the Dalai Lama is declared to have "come forth in re-embodiment" (chu hui) from a Mongol word signifying "bodily transformation" or metamorphosis; in Chinese, hui shen. After a short period of instruction, the newly acclaimed pontiff, at the age of perhaps two or three years, is solemnly enthroned (tsu ch'wang); and during his long ensuing minority he remains, as a matter of course, a puppet in the hands of the Chinese Imperial Residents.

Events Coming.

Friday, 4th March.
Geo. P. Lammert, Auction sale of postage stamps, 5 p.m.

Saturday, 5th March.
Queen's College re-opens.
Canton Regatta.
Buffs Regimental Race Meeting, Race Course, 2.30 p.m.
Hughes and Hough, Auction sale of Japanese Curios, 2.30 p.m.
Boxing at V.R.C. 9.15 p.m.

Sunday, 6th March.
Volunteer Church Parade.

Monday, 7th March.
Hongkong Technical Institute re-opens.
Hughes and Hough, Auction sale of Japanese Curios, 2.30 p.m.
Union Waterbat Co., Ltd., Annual Meeting at the Office of Messrs. Dowell & Co., Ltd., 3 p.m.
Licensing Board Meeting, at the Colonial Secretary's Office, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, 8th March.
Hongkong Horticultural Society, Flower Show in the Botanic Gardens, 2 p.m.
Hockey Semi-final, H.K.H.C. vs. Mabrattas, Happy Valley, 4.45 p.m.

Wednesday, 9th March.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Ltd., Annual Meeting, at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., 10 o'clock noon.
Hongkong Horticultural Society, Flower Show in the Botanic Gardens.

Thursday, 10th March.
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited, Annual Meeting, at 3, Queen's Road Central, Noon.

Friday, 11th March.
Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong, Annual Dinner, at Hongkong Hotel, 8 p.m.

Saturday, 12th March.
Hongkong Regatta.
Hongkong Football Shield Final, Buffs vs. Naval Yard, 4 p.m.
Boxing "Bill Lewis" vs. "Batling Simms," City Hall.

Tuesday, 15th March.
China Borneo Company Limited, Annual Meeting, at St. George's Building, noon.

Friday, 18th March.
Hughes and Hough Auction sale of furniture at "Lan Mor" Peak Road, 2 p.m.

Saturday, 19th March.
Green Island Cement Company annual meeting, at St. George's Building, 11.30 a.m.
Hughes and Hough Auction sale of furniture at "Lan Mor" Peak Road, 2 p.m.

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

DURING my temporary absence Mr. J. KULLMANN will be in charge of the DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK, Hongkong.

A. KOEHN,
Manager,
Deutsche-Asiatische Bank,
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1910.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co's Steamer

"VACEDINIA,"
Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From London, &c., ex s.s. *Mongolia*.
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From Persian Gulf, ex B.I.S.N. and B. & P. S. N. Co's Steamers.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.
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E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent,
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1910.

HYGIENE COMPETITION.

THE RESULTS.

The results of the Hygiene Competition, instituted by Sir Matthew Nathan, for Hongkong schools, have just been announced. The tabulated results are as follows:—

	Percentage of Marks obtained	No. of scholars presented
Dioecesan School	63.042	444
Ellis Kadoorie	61.8	429
Bellfield Public	6.95	384
Saiyungpun	60.14	421
St. Joseph's	58.57	410
Victoria Anglo-Popular	57.14	160
Italian Convent	54.71	393
Hollywood Road	5.00	364
Wangtai	48.71	341
Queen's College	44.44	311
St. Mary's	36.78	103
Yauwail	34.48	145

The maximum number of marks is 700.

SON A WAN'S EXTRADITION.

OLD MAN'S AMUSING EVIDENCE.

Before Mr. E. K. Hallifax, First Police Magistrate, in the Police Court this afternoon, the extradition proceedings against Sun A Wan by the Chinese authorities for an armed robbery committed in China were continued. Mr. H. L. Denney, Sr., of the Crown Solicitor's office, prosecuted and Mr. Otto Kong Sing defended.

Sun Chus Yang, aged 71 years, the uncle of the prisoner, was recalled. In the course of his evidence he stated that prisoner was at one time unemployed and led the life of a robber and a thief.

Mr. Kong Sing—And you let a thief live in your house?

Witness—He is only a thief now (Laughter).

Mr. Kong Sing—You know he was a thief and you kept him in your house?

Witness—Yes, we all lived in the same house.

Later, Mr. Kong Sing asked the witness if a certain person named Sun A Wan was Sun Wan's distant brother.

Witness—Yes, he is Sun A Wan's distant brother (Laughter).

Then he is not the son of his mother?

They have the same grandmother (Laughter).

Proceeding, witness stated that Sun A Wan's father was unemployed and had been a thief at Weichow and was decapitated at Chan Tam. While he was unemployed, he lived in witness' house but there were no thieves living in his house at the present time.

At the conclusion of witness evidence, the usual procedure of reading out the whole of the evidence to the witness was followed, when the Magistrate experienced considerable difficulty in getting through with the evidence, as the witness took the interpreter's translation in the sense of direct questions and showed a decided tendency to argue.

His Worship (reading part of the evidence)—Sun A Wan's father was convicted and beheaded for a robbery at Weichow.

Witness—Sun A Wan is still alive and in the Court-room.

His Worship—Sun A Wan's father was beheaded, not Sun A Wan himself.

Witness—That's right.

The evidence having been read out by the Magistrate, the Crown Solicitor asked that the case be adjourned.

Mr. Kong Sing—I don't see what necessity there is in rushing the case through, your Worship.

His Worship—It's not a case of rushing through, Mr. Kong Sing. The case has been on for a long time.

The Crown Solicitor—I don't see why the case should not be finished as soon as possible.

Mr. Kong Sing—It's a very serious matter. The case was remanded till to-morrow.

To-day's Advertisements.

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE, 1898.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARKS.

NOTICE is hereby given that THE SINCERE COMPANY, LIMITED, a company incorporated by the Companies Ordinance of Hongkong, and whose registered office is situated at No. 221 Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, have, on the 27th day of February, 1910, applied for the Registration in Hongkong, in the Register of Trade Marks, of the following Trade Mark:—

"The representation of a Zebra standing on its hind legs near the edge of a field and having its right fore-leg on a mound at the edge of the field and its left fore-leg bent at the knee and uplified and the word 'Zebra' underneath the said representation, the whole enclosed in a fancy oval design. At the sides of the fancy oval design are the Chinese characters 誠信洋行 (meaning Sing Shun Foreign Firm)."

In the name of THE SINCERE COMPANY, LIMITED, who claim to be the sole proprietors thereof.

The Trade Mark has been used by the Applicants in respect of HOSIERY in Class 38 since the month of June, 1908.

A Facsimile of the Trade Mark can be seen at the Office of the Registrar of Trade Marks of Hongkong, or at the office of the Undersigned.

Dated the 3rd March, 1910.

OTTO KONG SING,
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No. 12, Queen's Road Central.

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In the name of THE SINCERE COMPANY, LIMITED, who claim to be the sole proprietors thereof.

The Trade Mark has been used by the Applicants in respect of RAZORS in Class 12 since the month of June, 1908.

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Dated the 3rd March, 1910.

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In the name of THE SINCERE COMPANY, LIMITED, who claim to be the sole proprietors thereof.

The Trade Mark has been used by the Applicants in respect of UMBRELLAS in Class 30 since the month of June, 1908.

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Dated the 3rd March, 1910.

OTTO KONG SING,
Solicitor for the Applicants,
No. 12, Queen's Road Central.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co's Steamer

"PALMA,"
Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent,
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1910.

To-day's Advertisements.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held in the OFFICE of the GENERAL MANAGERS, St. George's Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 19th day of March, 1910, at 11.30 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1909, Declaration of a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 10th day of March, 1910, until SATURDAY, the 19th day of March, 1910; both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1910.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent,
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1910.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION,

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

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the 5th and 7th March, 1910, commencing each day at 2.30 P.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, corner of Ice House Street,

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ALSO

JAPANESE POODLES.

Catalogues will be issued.
TERMS:—As usual.

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Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1910.

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From Hongkong	From St. John, N.B.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN" SATURDAY, MAR. 26TH.	"EMPRESS OF IRELAND" FRIDAY, APRIL 23RD.
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"EMPRESS OF INDIA" SATURDAY, MAY 14TH.	"ALLAN LINE" FRIDAY, JUNE 10TH.
"MONTEAGLE" TUESDAY, MAY 24TH.	"EMPRESS OF BRITAIN" FRIDAY, JULY 1ST.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN" SATURDAY, JUNE 4TH.	"ALLAN LINE" FRIDAY, JULY 22ND.
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Each Trans-Pacific "Empress" connects at Vancouver with a Special Mail Express Train and at St. John, N.B. or Quebec with Atlantic Mail Steamer as shown above. The "Empress of Britain" and "Empress of Ireland" are magnificent vessels of 14,500 tons, Speed 30 knots, and are regarded as second to none on the Atlantic. The "Empress" Steamers on the Pacific and on the Atlantic are equipped with the Marconi wireless apparatus.

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SPECIAL THROUGH RATES—Special rates (First Class only) are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Consular Services, European Civil Services Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the service of the Governments of China and Japan, and the families.

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For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage and Freight, apply to—
D. W. GRADDOCK, General Traffic Agent,
Corner Pedder Street and Praya (opposite Blake Pier).

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

For	Steamship	On
MANILA	LOONGSANG	FRIDAY, 4th Mar., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHOYSANG	MONDAY, 7th Mar., Noon.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI	KUTSANG	TUESDAY, 8th Mar., Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	NAMSANG	WEDNESDAY, 9th Mar., Noon.
SHANGHAI	WINGSANG	THURSDAY, 10th Mar., Noon.
MANILA	YUENSANG	FRIDAY, 11th Mar., 4 P.M.

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN (OCCUPYING 24 DAYS).

The steamers *Kutsang*, *Namsang*, and *Wingsang* leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai and returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong.

These vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

A duly qualified surgeon is also carried.

* Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Yangtze Ports, Shaoan, Tientsin & Newchwang.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LD.,
General Managers.
Telephone No. 215.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1910.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"KUEICHO"	5th Mar., 4 P.M.
AMOI, NINGPO & SHANGHAI	"YOHOW"	5th Mar., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	6th Mar., Daylight.
MANILA	"TAMING"	8th Mar., 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	10th Mar., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHILIA"	13th Mar., Daylight.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA & AUSTRALIA	"CHANGHUA"	14th Mar., 4 P.M.
MANILA	"TEAN"	15th Mar., 3 P.M.

Reduced Saloon Fares, single and return, to Manila and Australian Ports.

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N.B.—Passengers must embark before midnight on Saturday for the Sunday morning sailings. A Company's launch leaves Murray Pier at 10 o'clock every Saturday night.

These steamers land passengers in Shanghai, avoiding the inconvenience of transshipment at Woosung.

Fares:—\$45 single, \$80 return.

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Hongkong, 3rd March, 1910.

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HONGKONG—MANILA.

CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship. Tons. Captain. For. Sailing Date.

RUBI 1540 A. Fraser MANILA SATURDAY, 5th Mar., at Noon.

SAIRO 1540 R. Rodger " SATURDAY, 12th Mar., at Noon.

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SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1910.

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For	Steamers	G. Tonnage	Leaves
TACOMA via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKO.	"FITZPATRICK" Capt. R. E. Hutchinson	6,178	FRIDAY, 4th Mar., at Noon.
TACOMA via MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"TACOMA MARU" Capt. H. Yamamoto		WEDNESDAY, 23rd Mar., at Noon.

The Co's newly built steamers have fast speed. Superior accommodation for steerage passengers situated AMIDSHIP. A limited number of Cabin passengers carried at low rates. Best adapted rooms for carrying Silk, Treasure and Parcels. Special attention given towards Express connections.

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TAMSAI, SWATOW & AMOI.	"DAIJIN MARU" Capt. Y. Kaburaki	SUNDAY, 6th Mar., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW, AMOI and FOOSHOW	"BUJUN MARU" Capt. Y. Fuseno	THURSDAY, 10th Mar., at Daylight.

Fast speed. Superior passenger accommodation. Electric light throughout. First class cabins.

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For information of Freight, Passages, Sailings, etc., apply at the Co's Local Branch Office at Second Floor, No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1910.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

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THE Steamship

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Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay by the R.M.S. *India*, due in London on 15th April, 1910.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

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STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT	AT WORKING ACCOUNT	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT CURRENT QUOTATION BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CL. BING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	120,000	\$125	\$125	{ \$1,500,000 \$15,000,000 \$250,000 }	\$2,007,819	{ 2 1/2% for half year ending 31.12.09 @ ex 1/9% = \$15.11 }	4 %	{ \$960 sellers London £88.10 }
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	7	6	{ \$4,000 \$10,000 }	\$50,552	\$2 (London 2/6) for 1909 .....	...	\$7 1/2 buyers
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	{ \$1,500,000 \$154,381 \$308,791 \$185,000 }	none	\$10 for 1908	7 %	\$160 buyers
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	15	15	{ Tls. 221,000 Tls. 235,253 Tls. 146,186 \$200,000 }	Tls. 107,573	Final of 7/6 making 15/- for 1908 .....	...	Tls. 114 buyers
Union Insurance Society of Canton	12,400	\$250	\$100	{ \$1,000,000 \$108,848 \$105,240 \$682,000 }	\$1,464.9	{ Final of \$37 making \$47 for 1907 and interim of 130 for 1908	5 1/2 %	\$910
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$50	{ \$1,000,000 \$294,405 \$109,264 }	\$7,907	\$12 and bonus \$3 for 1907	7 %	\$230 buyers
FIRE.								
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	70,000	\$100	\$10	{ \$1,000,000 \$438,666 \$138,302 }	\$375,341	\$6 and bonus \$2 for 1907	7 %	\$117 buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	{ \$1,000,000 \$143,173 }	\$168,711	\$27 for 1907	7 1/2 %	\$36 1/2 sellers
SHIPPING.								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$15	{ \$7,000 \$210,000 \$100,800 }	\$1,035	\$1 for 1906 .....	...	\$8 sellers
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$200,000 \$200,000 }	Nil	2 1/2 for year ending 30.6.1908 .....	...	\$32 sellers
Hongkong, Canton & Yacao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	{ \$1,000,000 \$207,500 \$103,545 \$19,100 }	\$20,766	Final of \$12 for account 1910	7 1/2 %	\$30 1/2 ex div. 1
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred) ..	60,000	65	65	{ \$1,000,000 \$240,000 }	\$13,755	{ 6/- for 1907 on Preference shares only @ ex 1/5 11/10 = \$3. 154 3rd in. of 1/- par sh. (coup. No. 12) making in all 4/- for 1908 & interim of 1/- for ac. '09 }	...	\$6 1/2 buyers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	2,000,000	1	1	{ \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 }	\$68,827	\$1.00 for year ending 10.4.1909	4 %	79/-
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	{ \$50,000 \$48,980 }	\$1,722	{ \$0.50 for year ending 10.4.1909	3 1/2 %	\$26 \$14 1/2
REFINERIES.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$350,000 \$50,848 }	Dr. \$5,858	\$5 for year ending 31.12.08	3 1/2 %	\$160 buyers
Luxon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$1	\$100	{ none Tls. 100,000 }	Dr. \$235,892 Tls. 6,502	\$3 for 1897 .....	...	\$30 buyers Tls. 600 buyers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 5	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 100,000 }	Dr. \$235,892 Tls. 6,502	\$3 for 1897 .....	...	\$30 buyers Tls. 600 buyers
MINING.								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	1	1	{ \$175,000 \$1,283 }	\$1,485	Final of 1/6 making 3/- for 1909	7 %	Tls. 18 1/2 Pa. 10 buyers
Headwaters Mining Company	60,000	Pa. 10	Pa. 10	{ none \$4 1/2 }	Dr. \$2,101	No. 12 of 1/- = 48 cents .....	...	\$6 sellers
Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	150,000	1	1	{ \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 }	Dr. \$2,101	No. 12 of 1/- = 48 cents .....	...	\$6 sellers
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$18,000 \$50,000 \$20,600 \$10,000 \$10,000 \$10,000 \$10,000 }	Dr. \$7,481	\$1.75 for year ending 31.12.08 .....	...	\$10
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$55	\$50	{ \$3,000,000 \$30,600 \$10,000 \$10,000 \$10,000 \$10,000 \$10,000 }	\$10,108	None .....	...	\$59 buyers
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$5	\$50	{ Tls. 1,000,000 \$13,745 }	\$13,745	Interim of \$1 1/2 for account 1909 .....	...	\$70 sellers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	\$5,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 60,000 Tls. 50,000 Tls. 100,000 }	Tls. 6,261	Interim of Tls. 2 1/2 for 1910	6 1/2 %	Tls. 80 buyers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited	56,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000 }	Tls. 22,828	Final of Tls. 6 making Tls. 10 for 1908	7 %	Tls. 130 buyers
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.								
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	25,000	Tls. 1	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 15,000 \$1,000 }	Tls. 4,134	Tls. 6 for year ending 29.2.09	5 1/2 %	Tls. 103 sales \$16 buyers
Central Stores, Limited	50,123	\$15	\$15	{ \$1,000 \$648,975 }	\$24,541	\$1.20 on old and 60 cents on first new issue (Interim of \$2.40 on old and 40 cents on new shares for account 1909 .....	...	\$110 buyers \$80 new buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$5	\$5	{ \$1,000 \$14,028 }	\$10,272	Interim of \$4 for account 1909	6 1/2 %	\$99 sellers
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$1	\$1	{ \$1,000 \$225,045 \$25,560 }	\$27,971	45 cents for 1909	7 1/2 %	\$7 1/2 buyers
Hampreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$1	\$10	{ none \$25,560 }	\$27,971	\$2 1/2 for 1909	5 %	\$27 1/2 buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	{ none Tls. 1,528,045 Tls. 300,000 }	Tls. 148,404	Interim of Tls. 3 for account 1909	6 1/2 %	Tls. 107 1/2
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 300,000 Tls. 300,000 }	\$1,058	Final of \$1.80 for account 1909	8 1/2 %	\$42 1/2
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	{ none Tls. 300,000 }	\$1,058	Final of \$1.80 for account 1909	8 1/2 %	\$42 1/2
COTTON MILLS.								
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 5	{ Tls. 250,000 Tls. 40,000 }	15,10,991	Tls. 11 for year ending 31.10.09	8 1/2 %	Tls. 138 sales \$6 sales
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	25,000	\$10	\$1	{ Tls. 40,000 \$2,000 }	\$9,553	50 cents for year ending 31.7.08 .....	...	Tls. 66 sellers Tls. 75 sellers Tls. 380
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	{ Tls. 175,000 Tls. 21,172 }	Tls. 8,372	Tls. 7 1/2 for year ending 30.9.06 .....	...	Tls. 66 sellers
Laou-king-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ none Tls. 21,172 }	Tls. 4,829	Tls. 6 for 1909 .....	...	Tls. 75 sellers Tls. 380
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 50	{ none Tls. 21,172 }	Tls. 4,829	Tls. 50 for 1906 .....	...	Tls. 75 sellers Tls. 380
MISCELLANEOUS.								
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	{ \$1,500 \$40,000 }	\$2,648	15 % per share for 1908	10 %	\$10 \$10 1/2 sellers
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	{ \$1,500 \$40,000 }	Nil	50 cents for year ended 28.2.06 .....	...	\$6 1/2 sellers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	{ none \$1,000,000 }	\$1,138	80 cents for 1909	8 1/2 %	\$17 1/2 buyers
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 }	\$1,138	\$1.20 for year ending 31.7.09	10 %	\$17 1/2 buyers
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	{ \$1,000 \$1,000 }	\$1,138	Interim of 35 cents for account 1909	10 %	\$17 1/2 buyers
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$1,000 \$1,000 }	\$1,138	8 cents for year ending 31.12.08	8 %	\$12 sales
H. Price & Company, Limited	12,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$1,000 \$1,000 }	\$1,138	\$1.20 for year ending 31.7.09	10 %	\$17 1/2 buyers
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	{ none \$1,000,000 }	\$1,138	Interim of \$2 for account 1909	10 %	\$17 1/2 buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$150,000 \$20,000 }	\$7,016	Final of \$1 making in all \$2 for 1909	8 1/2 %	\$167 ex div. \$24 1/2 sellers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	60,000	\$10	\$10	{ Tls. 247,500 Tls. 62,924 }	Tls. 316,682	4th interim of Tls. 12 1/2 for 1909	6 1/2 %	Tls. 1,075 b.
Matchless Ltd. (Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, Ltd. agents)	25,000	Pa. 100	Pa. 100	{ Tls. 247,500 Tls. 62,924 }	Tls. 316,682	80 cents on fully paid shares and 8 cents on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.09	6 1/2 %	\$15 \$15 1/2 \$10 buyers
Peak Tramways Company, Limited	25,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$10,000 \$10,000 }	\$1,204	None .....	...	\$15 \$15 1/2 \$10 buyers
Peak Tramways Company (new)	50,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$10,000 \$10,000 }	\$1,204	None .....	...	\$15 \$15 1/2 \$10 buyers
Philippine Company, Limited	75,000	\$10	\$10	{ none Tls. 14,810 Tls. 75,000 }	Tls. 5,250	Final Tls. 5 making Tls. 8 for 1908	4 1/2 %	Tls. 157 1/2 b.
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	{ Tls. 14,810 Tls. 75,000 }	Tls. 5,250	None .....	...	\$22 1/2 sellers \$44
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	{ none \$1,000,000 }	Dr. \$31,096	40 cents for year ending 31.5.09	7 1/2 %	\$22 1/2 sellers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$25	\$5	{ none \$1,000,000 }	\$1,722	60 cents for year ending 31.12.08	5 %	\$10 sellers
Union Waterboat Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	{ none \$1,000,000 }	\$1,722	60 cents per ord. share for year ending 31.5.09	6 1/2 %	\$24 1/2 buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	{ \$16,000 \$300,000 \$5,000 }	\$2,613	Final of 30 cents for 1908	6 1/2 %	\$7 sellers
Watson (A.S.) & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$16,000 \$300,000 \$5,000 }	\$2,613	Final of 30 cts. making 80 cts. for the year ended 30th June, 1906 .....	...	\$3 sellers
William Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	\$7	{ none \$1,000,000 }	\$782	None .....	...	7 1/2 sellers 31/-
RUBBERS.								
Allagar Rubber Estates	750,000	2 1/2	2 1/2	{ none \$1,000,000 }	none	None .....	...	7 1/2 sellers 31/-
Anglo-Malay Rubber Company, Limited (fully paid) ..	1,500,000	2 1/2	2 1/2	{ none \$1,000,000 }	none	Interim of 6d. for account 1909 .....	...	7 1/2 sellers 31/-
Balgownie Rubber Estate, Limited	20,000	\$10	\$10	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	45 % interim for 1909 .....	...	\$145
Castlefield Rubber Estate, Limited	35,000	\$10	\$10	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	2 1/2 for 1909 .....	...	91/- 150/- 124/- nominal 8 1/2
Damansara (Selangor) Rubber Co.	110,000	1 1/2	1 1/2	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	None .....	...	nominal 160/- 48/- nominal 8 1/2
Golconda Malay Rubber Co.	80,000	1 1/2	1 1/2	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	None .....	...	nominal 160/- 48/- nominal 8 1/2
Highland & Lowland Para. Rubber Co. (fully paid) ..	181,454	1 1/2	1 1/2	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	None .....	...	nominal 160/- 48/- nominal 8 1/2
do. do. (contributory)	123,546	1 1/2	1 1/2	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	None .....	...	nominal 160/- 48/- nominal 8 1/2
Kamuning (Perak) Rubber Tin & Co.	950,000	1 1/2	1 1/2	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	None .....	...	nominal 160/- 48/- nominal 8 1/2
do. do. A Shares	105,000	1 1/2	1 1/2	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	None .....	...	nominal 160/- 48/- nominal 8 1/2
do. do. B Shares	105,000	1 1/2	1 1/2	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	None .....	...	nominal 160/- 48/- nominal 8 1/2
Kuala Lumpur Rubber Co., Limited	180,000	1 1/2	1 1/2	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	None .....	...	nominal 160/- 48/- nominal 8 1/2
Langkat Plantations, Limited (ordinary)	900,000	2 1/2	2 1/2	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	None .....	...	nominal 160/- 48/- nominal 8 1/2
do. do. (7 1/2 pref.)	10,000	1 1/2	1 1/2	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	None .....	...	nominal 160/- 48/- nominal 8 1/2
Ledbury Rubber Estates, Limited	6,000	1 1/2	1 1/2	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	None .....	...	nominal 160/- 48/- nominal 8 1/2
do. do. (contributory)	6,000	1 1/2	1 1/2	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	None .....	...	nominal 160/- 48/- nominal 8 1/2
Sagga Rubber Company, Limited	40,000	1 1/2	1 1/2	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	None .....	...	nominal 160/- 48/- nominal 8 1/2
Sandycroft Rubber Company	20,000	1 1/2	1 1/2	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	None .....	...	nominal 160/- 48/- nominal 8 1/2
Sekong Rubber Company, Limited	80,000	1 1/2	1 1/2	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	None .....	...	nominal 160/- 48/- nominal 8 1/2
Shelford Rubber Estate Limited	65,000	1 1/2	1 1/2	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	None .....	...	nominal 160/- 48/- nominal 8 1/2
Singapore & Johore Rubber Company, Limited	2,500	\$100	\$100	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	None .....	...	nominal 160/- 48/- nominal 8 1/2
Sungei Choh Rubber Estate Company, Limited	45,000	1 1/2	1 1/2	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	None .....	...	nominal 160/- 48/- nominal 8 1/2
Sungei Kapar Rubber Company	110,000	1 1/2	1 1/2	{ none \$7,400 }	\$11,105	None	nominal 160/- 48/- nominal 8 1/2

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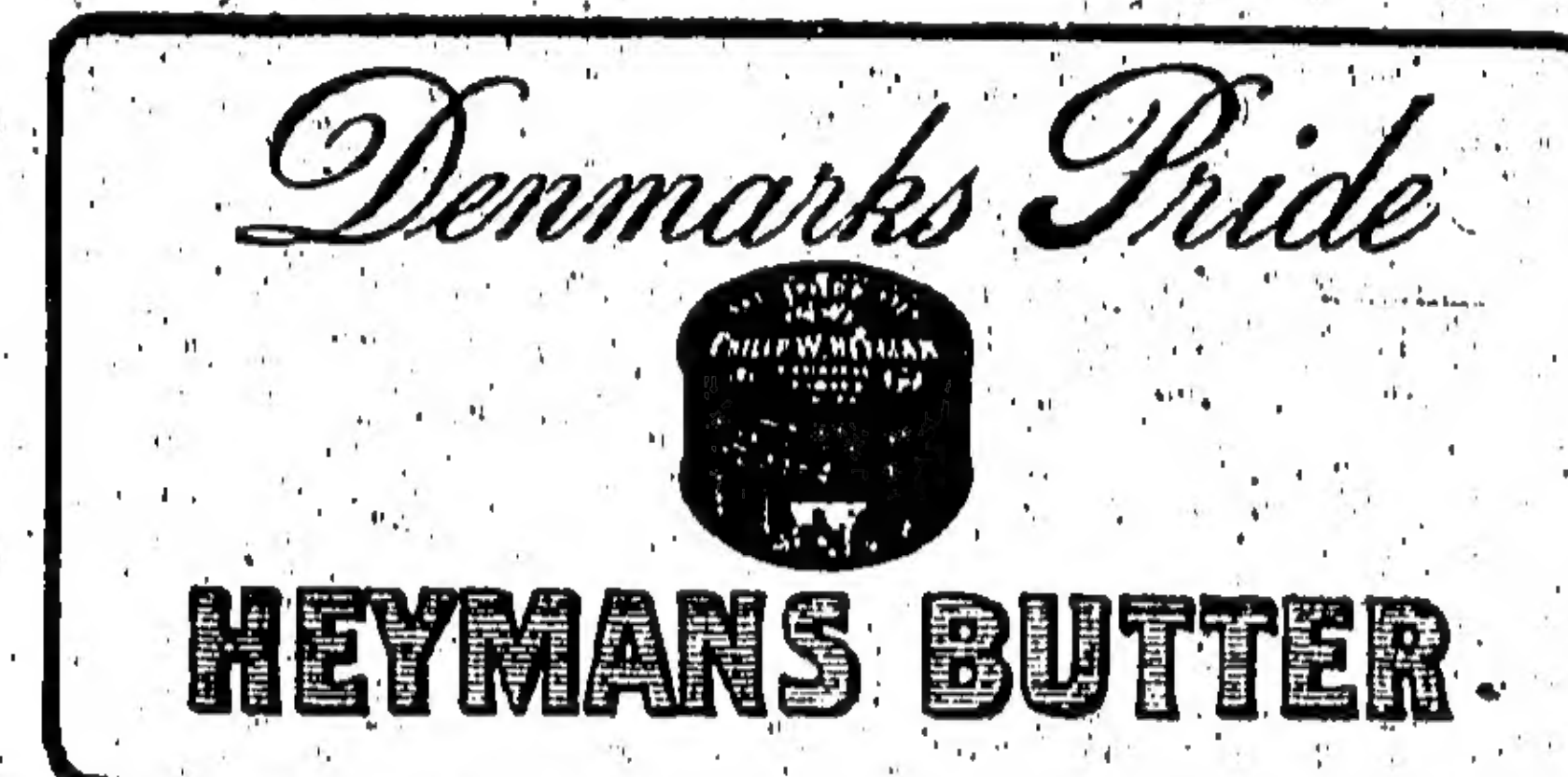
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